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Appln. No. : 09/687,009  
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Docket No. : CISC542  
Customer No. : 26541  
Title : METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ACCELERATING  
ROUTE CALCULATION IN LINK STATE ROUTING  
PROTOCOLS

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**AMENDMENT A**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of February 9, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.

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